

Challenge: Skills and Applications

For use with pages 241–247

1. Solve the equation $Ax + By = C$ for y .
2. Based on the result from Exercise 1, what is the slope of the graph of $Ax + By = C$? What is the y -intercept?

Use the result from Exercise 2 to find the slope (m) and the y -intercept (b) of the graph of the equation, without rewriting the equation in slope-intercept form.

3. $5x - 3y = 15$
4. $-2x + 7y = 14$
5. $9x + 6y = -18$
6. $4x + 5y = 7$
7. In order to graph the equation $3x - 4y = 12$ using the intercepts method taught in Lesson 4.3, what two points do you plot?
8. In order to graph the equation $3x - 4y = 12$ using the slope-intercept method, what two points do you plot?
9. Complete the table and look for a pattern to determine when you plot the same two points with the intercepts method and the slope-intercept method.

| Equation | Points plotted | |
|------------------|------------------------|-----------------------------|
| | With intercepts method | With slope-intercept method |
| $2x + 5y = 10$ | | |
| $4x + 5y = 10$ | | |
| $7x + 2y = -14$ | | |
| $4x + 6y = -12$ | | |
| $-9x + 4y = -36$ | | |

10. What relationship do A , B , and C seem to have in equations $Ax + By = C$ for which you plot the same two points when graphing with the intercepts method or with the slope-intercept method?